

**TOWN OF DIGHTON
BOARDS OF SELECTMEN/HEALTH
MAY 16, 2012**

E. Bud Whalon called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Present: E. Bud Whalon, Dean V. Cronin and Thomas J. Pires

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes

Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin, VOTED to approve meeting minutes of May 9, 2012.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Approve Warrants

Motion: Dean V. Cronin, seconded: Thomas J. Pires, VOTED to approve the following warrants:

Warrant #046A-12	Payroll	\$	67,545.87
Warrant #046B-12	Vendor bills	\$	1575183.97
Warrant #046C-12	Vendor bills	\$	3,156.21

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Expenditure Details: The Board has nothing to report at this time.

Correspondence

The Board received correspondence from the Superintendent of the Dighton-Rehoboth Regional School District stating that “....on May 8, 2012 the School Committee voted to approve an assessment reduction from the D-R regional School District FY’12 assessment for the Town of Dighton in the amount of \$119,091.17 to be allocated from the Excess & Deficiency account, and provided further that said reduction is contingent on a vote of the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Dighton accepting said sum as full and complete satisfaction of any claim of vocational technical education and transportation claims the Town of Dighton may have for alleged or asserted overpayments or excess assessments paid to the Dighton-Rehoboth Regional School District in any previous fiscal year.” The Board determined that no action will take place until after the town residents’ voice their decision at the upcoming Special Town Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 22, 2012, 7:00PM at the Dighton-Rehoboth Regional High School.

Announcements were read.

Report of the Personnel Officer

Newly appointed Veterans Agent John (Jack) Taylor was introduced. Mr. Taylor retired in 1989 as Lieutenant Commander in the US Navy and pledges to be available to all veterans 24/7. Further, the Board presented to Mr. Taylor an American flag presented by a representative from Senator John Kerry's office during the Founder's Day celebration. It was noted, said flag flew over the nation's capital for one day. Mr. Taylor is honored to be Dighton's Veterans Agent. Further, Mr. Taylor announced that the Memorial Day Parade will take place on Monday, May 28, 2012, 10:00AM and begin at Georgio's Restaurant and end at the Town Hall, Somerset Avenue, wherein, a ceremony will take place at the Veterans Memorial. Anyone interested in participating in the parade can contact Mr. Taylor directly at (508) 669-5027.

Review/Discuss/Act: Stonegate Landing Revision

The Board received the First Amendment to the Regulatory Agreement dated July 24, 2006 between Stonegate Landing, LLC, et al and the Town of Dighton, et al. Said Agreement has been reviewed and approved by Town Counsel. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin, VOTED accept and approve the First Amendment to the Regulatory Agreement dated July 24, 2006 between Stonegate Landing, LLC, et al and the Town of Dighton, et al.

Voted: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act: Land Purchase Request from the Conservation Commission

The Board received a request from the Conservation Commission seeking approval to purchase 1.60 acres of land off Pleasant Street (assessors parcel number 076/024.0-0075-0000.0) in the amount of \$7,000.00. Said property is an ecologically important parcel of salt marsh that would complement the other parcels surrounding and protecting Broad Cove. Said funding for the purchase would be made with monies set aside through Conservation. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to approve the purchase of 1.60 acres of land off Pleasant Street (assessors parcel number 076/024.0-0075-0000.0) in the amount of \$7,000.00 by the Conservation Commission.

Voted: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act: Ambulance Payment Waiver

The Board received a request from the Fire Chief seeking to write off ambulance payments due to hardship, death or reimbursement overpayment. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin VOTED to approve the write off of ambulance payments in the amount of \$3,724.25.

Voted: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act: Vacation Carry Over Request

The Board received a request from Patrolman William Perry seeking to carry over 17.5 vacation days from FY12 to FY13. Motion: Thomas J. Pires, seconded: Dean V. Cronin

VOTED to approve Patrolman William Perry's request to carry over 17.5 vacation days from FY12 to FY13.

Voted: UNANIMOUS

Review/Discuss/Act: Tri Centennial Request

The Tri Centennial Committee is requesting permission to sell goods (i.e., t-shirts, calendars, ornaments, bottled water, soft drinks and packaged snacks) during the Reenactment scheduled for May 19th and 20th. Motion: Dean V. Cronin, seconded: Thomas J. Pires VOTED to approve the selling of goods (i.e., t-shirts, calendars, ornaments, bottled water, soft drinks and packaged snacks) during the Reenactment scheduled for May 19th and 20th.

Voted: UNANIMOUSLY

Public Input

NONE.

Motion: Thomas Pires, seconded Dean V. Cronin to adjourn at 7:52 PM.

Vote: UNANIMOUS

Respectfully submitted,
Boards of Selectmen/Health
Kerrie J Easterday, Administrative Assistant

Approved by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dean V. Cronin", written in a cursive style.